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STATUS OF CONVENTIONS

Note by the Secretariat

1. At its thirteenth session (1980), the Commission decided that it would consider, at each of its sessions, the status of conventions that were the outcome of work carried out by it (A/35/17, para. 163).

2. The present note sets forth the status of the conventions and model laws emanating from the work of the Commission. It also shows the status of the Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards (New York, 1958), which, although adopted prior to the establishment of the Commission, is closely related to the work of the Commission in the area of international commercial arbitration.

3. This note indicates the changes since 21 May 1996, when the last report in this series (A/CN.9/428) was issued. States that have become Parties to a convention or enacted legislation based on a model law since the preparation of the last report are shown in bold letters in the respective list in this note.

4. The information contained in this note relating to the UNCITRAL conventions is current up to 21 May 1997. For regularly updated information after the issuance of this document, please refer to the UNCITRAL homepage on the Internet (http://www.un.or.at/uncitral/status) or, alternatively, contact the Secretariat unit which discharges the depositary functions of the Secretary-General in respect of multilateral treaties: Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Headquarters (http://www.un.org./Depts/Treaty/).

5. The following texts are covered in this note (the term **"action"** hereinafter is used generically to denote an instrument of ratification, approval, acceptance or accession, which has been deposited in respect of a treaty, or a participation in a treaty as a result of an action to a related treaty):

- Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods, concluded at New York on 14 June 1974, as amended by the Protocol of 11 April 1980 (new action by Uruguay: 16 States Parties);
- [Unamended] Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods (New York, 1974) (new actions by Belarus and Uruguay: 22 States Parties);
- United Nations Convention on the Carriage of Goods by Sea, 1978 ("Hamburg Rules") (25 States Parties);
- United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (Vienna, 1980) (new actions by Belgium, Luxembourg and Uzbekistan: 48 States Parties);
- United Nations Convention on International Bills of Exchange and International Promissory Notes (New York, 1988) (the Convention has two accessions; it requires ten actions for entry into force);
- United Nations Convention on the Liability of Operators of Transport Terminals in International Trade (Vienna, 1991) (the Convention has one accession; it requires five actions for entry into force);
- United Nations Convention on Independent Guarantees and Stand-by Letters of Credit (New York, 1995) (five actions are required for entry into force);
- UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Arbitration, 1985 (new jurisdictions that have enacted legislation based on the Model Law: New Zealand, Peru and Zimbabwe);
- UNCITRAL Model Law on International Credit Transfers (1992) (Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council of the European Union);
- UNCITRAL Model Law on Procurement of Goods, Construction and Services (1994)
- Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards (New York, 1958) (new actions by Brunei Darussalam, Kyrgyzstan, Mauritania and Mauritius: 112 States Parties).

I. LISTS OF CONVENTIONS AND MODEL LAWS

1. Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods, concluded at New York on 14 June 1974, as amended by the Protocol of 11 April 1980

State 1/	Accession, succession (d) or participation under Article VIII or X (*) of the Protocol of 11 April 1980 (**)	Entry into force
Argentina	19 July 1983	1 August 1988
Belarus	**23 January 1997**	**1 August 1997**
Cuba	2 November 1994	1 June 1995
Czech Republic 2/	30 September 1993 d	1 January 1993
Egypt	6 December 1982	1 August 1988
Guinea	23 January 1991	1 August 1991
Hungary	16 June 1983	1 August 1988
Mexico	21 January 1988	1 August 1988
Poland	19 May 1995	1 December 1995
Romania	23 April 1992	1 November 1992

	Article VIII or X (*) of the Protocol of 11 April 1980 (**)	
Slovakia 2/	28 May 1993 d	1 January 1993
Slovenia	2 August 1995	1 March 1996
Uganda	12 February 1992	1 September 1992
United States of America 3/	5 May 1994	1 December 1994
Uruguay	**1 April 1997**	**1 November 1997**
Zambia	6 June 1986	1 August 1988

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*/ In accordance with its article **VIII (1)**, the Protocol is open for accession by all States.

In accordance with article **VIII (2)** of the Protocol, accession to the Protocol by any State which is not a Contracting Party to the unamended Convention, shall have the effect of accession to the amended Convention, subject to the provisions of article XI of the Protocol.

In accordance with article **X** of the Protocol, ratification of or accession to the unamended Convention after the entry into force of the Protocol shall also constitute a ratification of or accession to the amended Convention if the State notifies the depositary accordingly.

/ For information on which States listed above are Parties to the 1980 amending Protocol contact the Treaty Section, which performs the functions of the depositary to the Protocol (see paragraph 4 above).

1/ The German Democratic Republic was a participant by virtue of its accession on 31 August 1989 to the Protocol of 11 April 1980.

2/ Czechoslovakia was a participant to the Convention and the Protocol by virtue of its accession to the Protocol on 5 March 1990.

N.B. The text of the Convention, as amended, has been established by the Secretary-General, as provided for by article XIV of the Protocol.

Declarations and reservations

2/ 3/ Upon accession, Czechoslovakia and the United States of America declared that, pursuant to article XII, they did not consider themselves bound by article I.

2. [Unamended] Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods (New York, 1974) +/

State a/	Signature	Ratification, Accession, Succession (d) or Participation under article XI of the Protocol of 11 April 1980 (**)	Entry into force
Argentina		9 October 1981	1 August 1988
Belarus	**14 June 1974**	**23 January 1997**	**1 August 1997**
Bosnia and Herzegovina		12 January 1994 d	6 March 1992
Brazil	14 June 1974		
Bulgaria	24 February 1975		
Costa Rica	30 August 1974		

State a/	Signature	Ratification, Accession, Succession (d) or Participation under article XI of the Protocol of 11 April 1980 (**)	Entry into force
Cuba		2 November 1994	1 June 1995
Czech Republic b/		30 September 1993 d	1 January 1993
Dominican Republic		23 December 1977	1 August 1988
Egypt		6 December 1982	1 August 1988
Ghana	5 December 1974	7 October 1975	1 August 1988
Guinea		23 January 1991	1 August 1991
Hungary	14 June 1974	16 June 1983	1 August 1988
Mexico		21 January 1988	1 August 1988
Mongolia	14 June 1974		
Nicaragua	13 May 1975		
Norway 1/	11 December 1975	20 March 1980	1 August 1988
Poland	14 June 1974	19 May 1995	1 December 1995
Romania		23 April 1992	1 November 1992
Russian Federation c/	14 June 1974		
Slovakia b/		28 May 1993 d	1 January 1993
Slovenia		2 August 1995	1 March 1996
Uganda		12 February 1992	1 September 1992
Ukraine	14 June 1974	13 September 1993	1 April 1994
United States of America		5 May 1994	1 December 1994
Uruguay		**1 April 1997**	**1 November 1997**
Yugoslavia		27 November 1978	1 August 1988
Zambia		6 June 1986	1 August 1988

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+/ The Convention was concluded in authentic Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts. On 11 August 1992, the Secretary-General, in accordance with a request of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, circulated a proposal for the adoption of an authentic Arabic text of the Convention. No objections having been raised, the Arabic text was deemed adopted on 9 November 1992 with the same status as that of the other authentic texts referred to in the Convention.

/ In accordance with article **XI of the Protocol, the Contracting Parties to the amended Convention are considered to be also Contracting Parties to the unamended Convention in relation to any Contracting Party to the unamended Convention not yet a Contracting Party to the 1980 Protocol, unless the depositary is notified to the contrary.

a/ The Convention had been signed by the former German Democratic Republic on 14 June 1974, ratified by it on 31 August 1989 and entered into force on 1 March 1990.

b/ The Convention was signed by the former Czechoslovakia on 29 August 1975 and an instrument of ratification was deposited on 26 May 1977, with the Convention entering into force for the former Czechoslovakia on 1 August 1988. On 28 May 1993 Slovakia, and on 30 September 1993 the Czech Republic, deposited instruments of succession with effect from 1 January 1993, the date of succession of States.

c/ The Russian Federation continues, as from 24 December 1991, the membership of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics

Declarations and reservations

1/ Upon signature, Norway declared, and confirmed upon ratification, that in accordance with article 34 the Convention would not govern contracts of sale where the seller and the buyer both had their relevant places of business within the territories of the Nordic States (i.e. Norway, Denmark, Finland, Iceland and Sweden).

3. United Nations Convention on the Carriage of Goods by Sea, 1978 (Hamburg)

State	Signature	Ratification Accession	Entry into force
Austria	30 April 1979	29 July 1993	1 August 1994
Barbados		2 February 1981	1 November 1992
Botswana		16 February 1988	1 November 1992
Brazil	31 March 1978		
Burkina Faso		14 August 1989	1 November 1992
Cameroon		21 October 1993	1 November 1994
Chile	31 March 1978	9 July 1982	1 November 1992
Czech Republic a/	2 June 1993	23 June 1995	1 July 1996
Denmark	18 April 1979		
Ecuador	31 March 1978		
Egypt	31 March 1978	23 April 1979	1 November 1992
Finland	18 April 1979		
France	18 April 1979		
Gambia		7 February 1996	1 March 1997
Germany	31 March 1978		
Georgia		21 March 1996	1 April 1997
Ghana	31 March 1978		
Guinea		23 January 1991	1 November 1992
Holy See	31 March 1978		
Hungary	23 April 1979	5 July 1984	1 November 1992
Kenya		31 July 1989	1 November 1992
Lebanon		4 April 1983	1 November 1992
Lesotho		26 October 1989	1 November 1992
Madagascar	31 March 1978		
Malawi		18 March 1991	1 November 1992
Mexico	31 March 1978		
Morocco		12 June 1981	1 November 1992
Nigeria		7 November 1988	1 November 1992

State	Signature	Ratification Accession	Entry into force
Norway	18 April 1979		
Pakistan	8 March 1979		
Panama	31 March 1978		
Philippines	14 June 1978		
Portugal	31 March 1978		
Romania		7 January 1982	1 November 1992
Senegal	31 March 1978	17 March 1986	1 November 1992
Slovakia a/	28 May 1993		
Sierra Leone	15 August 1978	7 October 1988	1 November 1992
Singapore	31 March 1978		
Sweden	18 April 1979		
Tunisia		15 September 1980	1 November 1992
Uganda		6 July 1979	1 November 1992
United Rep. of Tanzania		24 July 1979	1 November 1992
United States of America	30 April 1979		
Venezuela	31 March 1978		
Zaire	19 April 1979		
Zambia		7 October 1991	1 November 1992

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a/ The Convention was signed by the former Czechoslovakia on 6 March 1979[1]/ On 28 May 1993, Slovakia and on 2 June 1993, the Czech Republic deposited their instruments of succession to the signature and the Czech Republic deposited its instrument of ratification on 23 June 1995. The Czech Republic, upon ratification, withdrew the declaration, referred to in footnote[1]/, that had been made by the former Czechoslovakia.

Declarations and reservations

1/ Upon signing the Convention, the former Czechoslovakia declared in accordance with article 26 the formula for converting the amounts of liability referred to in paragraph 2 of that article into the Czechoslovak currency and the amount of the limits of liability to be applied in the territory of Czechoslovakia as expressed in the Czechoslovak currency.

4. United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (Vienna, 1980)

State	Signature	Ratification Accession Approval Acceptance Succession (d)	Entry into force
Argentina 1/		19 July 1983	1 January 1988
Australia		17 March 1988	1 April 1989
Austria	11 April 1980	29 December 1987	1 January 1989
Belarus 1/		9 October 1989	1 November 1990
Belgium		**31 October 1996**	**1 November 1997**
Bosnia and Herzegovina		12 January 1994 d	6 March 1992
Bulgaria		9 July 1990	1 August 1991
Canada 2/		23 April 1991	1 May 1992
Chile 1/	11 April 1980	7 February 1990	1 March 1991
China 3/	30 September 1981	11 December 1986	1 January 1988
Cuba		2 November 1994	1 December 1995
Czech Republic a/ 7/		30 September 1993 d	1 January 1993
Denmark 4/	26 May 1981	14 February 1989	1 March 1990
Ecuador		27 January 1992	1 February 1993
Estonia 1/		20 September 1993	1 October 1994
Egypt		6 December 1982	1 January 1988
Finland 4/	26 May 1981	15 December 1987	1 January 1989
France	27 August 1981	6 August 1982	1 January 1988
Georgia		16 August 1994	1 September 1995
Germany b/ 5/	26 May 1981	21 December 1989	1 January 1991
Ghana	11 April 1980		
Guinea		23 January 1991	1 February 1992
Hungary 1/ 6/	22 April 1980	16 June 1983	1 January 1988
Iraq		5 March 1990	1 April 1991
Italy	30 September 1981	11 December 1986	1 January 1988
Lesotho	18 June 1981	18 June 1981	1 January 1988
Lithuania 1/		18 January 1995	1 February 1996
Luxembourg		**30 January 1997**	**1 February 1998**
Moldova		13 October 1994	1 November 1995
Mexico		29 December 1987	1 January 1989

State	Signature	Ratification Accession Approval Acceptance Succession (d)	Entry into force
Netherlands	29 May 1981	13 December 1990	1 January 1992
New Zealand		22 September 1994	1 October 1995
Norway 4/	26 May 1981	20 July 1988	1 August 1989
Poland	28 September 1981	19 May 1995	1 June 1996
Romania		22 May 1991	1 June 1992
Russian Federation c/ 1/		16 August 1990	1 September 1991
Singapore 7/	11 April 1980	16 February 1995	1 March 1996
Slovakia a/ 7/		28 May 1993 d	1 January 1993
Slovenia		7 January 1994 d	25 June 1991
Spain		24 July 1990	1 August 1991
Sweden 4/	26 May 1981	15 December 1987	1 January 1989
Switzerland		21 February 1990	1 March 1991
Syrian Arab Republic		19 October 1982	1 January 1988
Uganda		12 February 1992	1 March 1993
Ukraine 1/		3 January 1990	1 February 1991
United States of America 7/	31 August 1981	11 December 1986	1 January 1988
Uzbekistan		**27 November 1996**	**1 December 1997**
Venezuela	28 September 1981		
Yugoslavia	11 April 1980	27 March 1985	1 January 1988
Zambia		6 June 1986	1 January 1988

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a/ The Convention was signed by the former Czechoslovakia on 1 September 1981 and an instrument of ratification was deposited on 5 March 1990, with the Convention entering into force for the former Czechoslovakia on 1 April 1991. On 28 May 1993 Slovakia, and on 30 September 1993 the Czech Republic, deposited instruments of succession, with effect from 1 January 1993, the date of succession of States.

b/ The Convention was signed by the former German Democratic Republic on 13 August 1981, ratified on 23 February 1989 and entered into force on 1 March 1990.

c/ The Russian Federation continues, as from 24 December 1991, the membership of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) in the United Nations and maintains, as from that date, full responsibility for all the rights and obligations of the USSR under the Charter of the United Nations and multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General.

Declarations and reservations

1/ Upon ratifying, or acceding to, the Convention, Argentina, Belarus, Chile, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Ukraine and USSR declared, in accordance with articles 12 and 96 of the Convention, that any provision of article 11, article 29 or Part II of the Convention that allows a contract of sale or its modification or termination by agreement or any offer, acceptance or other indication of intention to be made in any form other than in writing, would not apply where any party had his place of business in their respective States.

2/ Upon accession, Canada declared that, in accordance with article 93 of the Convention, the Convention will extend to Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Prince Edward Island and the Northwest Territories.(Upon accession, Canada declared that, in accordance with article 95 of the Convention, with respect to British Columbia, it will not be bound by article

1992, Canada extended the application of the Convention to Quebec and Saskatchewan. In a notification received on 29 June 1992, Canada extended the application of the Convention to Yukon.

3/ Upon approving the Convention, China declared that it did not consider itself bound by sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (1) of article 1 and article 11 as well as the provisions in the Convention relating to the content of article 11.

4/ Upon ratifying the Convention, Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden declared in accordance with article 92(1) that they would not be bound by Part II of the Convention (Formation of the Contract). Upon ratifying the Convention, Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden declared, pursuant to article 94(1) and 94(2), that the Convention would not apply to contracts of sale where the parties have their places of business in Denmark, Finland, Sweden, Iceland or Norway.

5/ Upon ratifying the Convention, Germany declared that it would not apply article 1(1)(b) in respect of any State that had made a declaration that that State would not apply article 1(1)(b).

6/ Upon ratifying the Convention, Hungary declared that it considered the General Conditions of Delivery of Goods between Organizations of the Member Countries of the Council for Mutual Economic Assistance to be subject to the provisions of article 90 of the Convention.

7/ Upon ratifying the Convention, Czechoslovakia, Singapore and the United States of America declared that they would not be bound by paragraph (1)(b) of article 1.

5. United Nations Convention on International Bills of Exchange and International Promissory Notes (New York, 1988)

State	Signature	Ratification Accession	Entry into force
Canada	7 December 1989		
Guinea		23 January 1991	
Mexico		11 September 1992	
Russian Federation a/	30 June 1990		
United States of America	29 June 1990		

Signatures only: 3; ratifications and accessions: 2
(10 ACTIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR ENTRY INTO FORCE)

a/ The Russian Federation continues, as from 24 December 1991, the membership of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) in the United Nations and maintains, as from that date, full responsibility for all the rights and obligations of the USSR under the Charter of the United Nations and multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General.

6. United Nations Convention on the Liability of Operators of Transport Terminals in International Trade (Vienna, 1991)

State	Signature	Ratification Accession	Entry into force
France	15 October 1991		
Georgia		21 March 1996	
Mexico	19 April 1991		
Philippines	19 April 1991		
Spain	19 April 1991		
United States of America	30 April 1992		

7. United Nations Convention on Independent Guarantees and Stand-by Letters of Credit (New York, 1995)

State	Signature	Ratification Accession	Entry into force
Belarus	3 December 1996		

Signatures only: 1; ratifications and accessions: 0
(5 ACTIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR ENTRY INTO FORCE)

8. UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Arbitration (1985)

Legislation based on the UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Arbitration has been enacted in Australia, Bahrain, Bermuda, Bulgaria, Canada, Cyprus, Egypt, Guatemala, Hong Kong, Hungary, India, Kenya, Malta, Mexico,**New Zealand,** Nigeria, **Peru,** Russian Federation, Scotland, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Tunisia, Ukraine, within the United States of America: California, Connecticut, Oregon and Texas; and**Zimbabwe**.

9. UNCITRAL Model Law on Procurement of Goods, Construction and Services (1994)

Legislation based on the UNCITRAL Model Law on Procurement of Goods, Construction and Services has been adopted in Albania and Poland.

10. UNCITRAL Model Law on International Credit Transfers (1992)

A directive of the **European Parliament** and of the **Council of the European Union** based on the principles of the UNCITRAL Model Law on International Credit Transfers has been issued on 27 January 1997.

11. Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards (New York, 1958)

State	Signature	Ratification Accession Succession (d)
Algeria 1/ 2/		7 February 1989
Antigua and Barbuda 1/ 2/		2 February 1989
Argentina 1/ 2/ 7/	26 August 1958	14 March 1989
Australia		26 March 1975
Austria		2 May 1961
Bahrain 1/ 2/		6 April 1988
Bangladesh		6 May 1992
Barbados 2/		16 March 1993

State	Signature	Ratification Accession Succession (d)
Belgium 1/	10 June 1958	18 August 1975
Benin		16 May 1974
Bolivia		28 April 1995
Bosnia and Herzegovina 1/ 2/ 6/		6 March 1992 d
Botswana 1/ 2/		20 December 1971
Brunei Darussalam 1/		**25 July 1996**
Bulgaria 1/ 3/	17 December 1958	10 October 1961
Burkina Faso		23 March 1987
Cambodia		5 January 1960
Cameroon		19 February 1988
Canada 4/		12 May 1986
Central African Republic 1/ 2/		15 October 1962
Chile		4 September 1975
China 1/ 2/		22 January 1987
Colombia		25 September 1979
Costa Rica	10 June 1958	26 October 1987
Côte d'Ivoire		1 February 1991
Croatia 1/ 2/ 6/		26 July 1993 d
Cuba 1/ 2/ 3/		30 December 1974
Cyprus 1/ 2/		29 December 1980
Czech Republic a/		30 September 1993 d
Denmark 1/ 2/		22 December 1972
Djibouti		14 June 1983
Dominica		28 October 1988
Ecuador 1/ 2/	17 December 1958	3 January 1962
Egypt		9 March 1959
El Salvador	10 June 1958	
Estonia		30 August 1993
Finland	29 December 1958	19 January 1962
France 1/	25 November 1958	26 June 1959
Georgia		2 June 1994
Germany b/ 1/	10 June 1958	30 June 1961
Ghana		9 April 1968
Greece 1/ 2/		16 July 1962

State	Signature	Ratification Accession Succession (d)
Guatemala 1/ 2/		21 March 1984
Guinea		23 January 1991
Haiti		5 December 1983
Holy See 1/ 2/		14 May 1975
Hungary 1/ 2/		5 March 1962
India 1/ 2/	10 June 1958	13 July 1960
Indonesia 1/ 2/		7 October 1981
Ireland 1/		12 May 1981
Israel	10 June 1958	5 January 1959
Italy		31 January 1969
Japan 1/		20 June 1961
Jordan	10 June 1958	15 November 1979
Kazakstan		20 November 1995
Kenya 1/		10 February 1989
Kuwait 1/		28 April 1978
Kyrgyzstan		**18 December 1996**
Latvia		14 April 1992
Lesotho		13 June 1989
Lithuania 3/		15 March 1995
Luxembourg 1/	11 November 1958	9 September 1983
Madagascar 1/ 2/		16 July 1962
Malaysia 1/ 2/		5 November 1985
Mali		8 September 1994
Mauritania		**30 January 1997**
Mauritius		**19 June 1996**
Mexico		14 April 1971
Monaco 1/ 2/	31 December 1958	2 June 1982
Mongolia 1/ 2/		24 October 1994
Morocco 1/		12 February 1959
Netherlands 1/	10 June 1958	24 April 1964
New Zealand 1/		6 January 1983
Niger		14 October 1964
Nigeria 1/ 2/		17 March 1970
Norway 1/ 5/		14 March 1961

State	Signature	Ratification Accession Succession (d)
Pakistan	30 December 1958	
Panama		10 October 1984
Peru		7 July 1988
Philippines 1/ 2/	10 June 1958	6 July 1967
Poland 1/ 2/	10 June 1958	3 October 1961
Portugal 1/		18 October 1994
Republic of Korea 1/ 2/		8 February 1973
Romania 1/ 2/ 3/		13 September 1961
Russian Federation c/ 1/ 3/	29 December 1958	24 August 1960
San Marino		17 May 1979
Saudi Arabia		19 April 1994
Senegal		17 October 1994
Singapore 1/		21 August 1986
Slovakia a/		28 May 1993 d
Slovenia 1/ 2/ 6/		25 June 1991 d
South Africa		3 May 1976
Spain		12 May 1977
Sri Lanka	30 December 1958	9 April 1962
Sweden	23 December 1958	28 January 1972
Switzerland 1/ 8/	29 December 1958	1 June 1965
Syrian Arab Republic		9 March 1959
Thailand		21 December 1959
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia 1/ 2/ 6/		10 March 1994 d
Trinidad and Tobago 1/ 2/		14 February 1966
Tunisia 1/ 2/		17 July 1967
Turkey 1/ 2/		2 July 1992
Uganda 1/		12 February 1992
Ukraine 1/ 3/	29 December 1958	10 October 1960
United Kingdom 1/		24 September 1975
United Republic of Tanzania 1/		13 October 1964
United States of America 1/ 2/		30 September 1970
Uruguay		30 March 1983
Uzbekistan		7 February 1996

State	Signature	Ratification Accession Succession (d)
Yugoslavia 1/ 2/ 6/		26 February 1982
Venezuela 1/ 2/		8 February 1995
Zimbabwe		29 September 1994

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a/ The Convention was signed by the former Czechoslovakia on 3 October 1958 and an instrument of ratification was deposited on 10 July 1959. 1/ 3/ On 28 May 1993, Slovakia and, on 30 September 1993, the Czech Republic deposited instruments of succession.

b/ The Convention was acceded to by the former German Democratic Republic on 20 February 1975 with reservations 1/, 2/ and 3/.

c/ The Russian Federation continues, as from 24 December 1991, the membership of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) in the United Nations and maintains, as from that date, full responsibility for all the rights and obligations of the USSR under the Charter of the United Nations and multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General.

Declarations and reservations
(Excludes territorial declarations and certain other reservations
and declarations of a political nature)

1/ State will apply the Convention only to recognition and enforcement of awards made in the territory of another Contracting State.

2/ State will apply the Convention only to differences arising out of legal relationships whether contractual or not which are considered as commercial under the national law.

3/ With regard to awards made in the territory of non-contracting States, State will apply the Convention only to the extent to which these States grant reciprocal treatment.

4/ Canada declared that it will apply the Convention only to differences arising out of legal relationships, whether contractual or not, which are considered as commercial under the laws of Canada, except in the case of the Province of Quebec where the law does not provide for such limitation.

5/ State will not apply the Convention to differences where the subject matter of the proceedings is immovable property situated in the State, or a right in or to such property.

6/ State will apply the Convention only to those arbitral awards which were adopted after the coming of the Convention into effect.

7/ Argentina declared that the present Convention should be construed in accordance with the principles and rules of the National Constitution in force or with those resulting from reforms mandated by the Constitution.

8/ On 23 April 1993, Switzerland notified the Secretary-General of its decision to withdraw the declaration it had made upon ratification.

9/ Vietnam declared that interpretation of the Convention before the Vietnamese Courts or competent Authorities should be made in accordance with the Constitution and the law of Vietnam.

II. CHRONOLOGICAL TABLES OF RATIFICATIONS AND ACCESSIONS

(The number of the entry for each Convention hereinafter corresponds to the number of the Convention in Part I of this document)

1. Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods, concluded at New York on 14 June 1974, as amended by the Protocol of 11 April 1980

Accession a/
Egypt, 6 December 1982
Hungary, 16 June 1983
Argentina, 19 July 1983
Zambia, 6 June 1986
Mexico, 21 January 1988
Guinea, 23 January 1991
Slovakia **/ 28 May 1993
Uganda, 12 February 1992
Romania, 23 April 1992
Czech Republic, **/ 30 September 1993
United States of America, 5 May 1994
Cuba, 2 November 1994
Poland, 19 May 1995
Slovenia, 2 August 1995
Belarus, 23 January 1997
Uruguay, 1 April 1997

a/ The former German Democratic Republic acceded to this Protocol on 31 August 1989.
**/ Succession: the former Czechoslovakia acceded to this Protocol on 5 March 1990.

2. [Unamended] Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods (New York, 1974)

Ratification a/	Accession
Ghana, 7 October 1975	Dominican Republic, 23 December 1977
Norway, 20 March 1980	Yugoslavia, 27 November 1978
Hungary, 16 June 1983	Argentina, 9 October 1981
Slovakia, */ 28 May 1993	Egypt, 6 December 1982
Ukraine, 13 September 1993	Zambia, 6 June 1986
Czech Republic, */ 30 Sept. 1993	Mexico, 21 January 1988
Poland, 19 May 1995	Guinea, 23 January 1991

Ratification a/	Accession
	Romania, 23 April 1992
	Bosnia and Herzegovina, **/ 12 January 1994
	United States of America, 5 May 1994
	Cuba, 2 November 1994
	Slovenia, 2 August 1995
	Belarus, 23 January 1997
	Uruguay, 1 April 1997

a/ The former German Democratic Republic ratified this Convention on 31 August 1989.
*/ Succession; the former Czechoslovakia ratified this Convention on 26 May 1977.
**/ Succession; Yugoslavia ratified this Convention on 27 November 1978.

3. United Nations Convention on the Carriage of Goods by Sea, 1978 (Hamburg)

Ratification	Accession
Egypt, 23 April 1979	Uganda, 6 July 1979
Chile, 4 July 1982	United Rep. of Tanzania, 24 July 1979
Hungary, 5 July 1984	Tunisia, 15 September 1980
Senegal, 17 March 1986	Barbados, 2 February 1981
Sierra Leone, 7 October 1988	Morocco, 12 June 1981
Austria, 29 July 1993	Romania, 7 January 1982
Czech Republic, 23 June 1995	Lebanon, 4 April 1983
Gambia, 7 February 1996	Botswana, 16 February 1988
	Nigeria, 7 November 1988
	Kenya, 31 July 1989
	Burkina Faso, 14 August 1989
	Lesotho, 26 October 1989
	Guinea, 23 January 1991
	Malawi, 18 March 1991
	Zambia, 7 October 1991
	Cameroon, 21 October 1993
	Georgia, 21 March 1996

4. United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (Vienna, 1980)

Ratification	Accession	Approval/Acceptance
Lesotho, 18 June 1981	Syria, 19 October 1982	China, 11 December 1986
France, 6 August 1982	Egypt, 6 December 1982	Netherlands, 13 December 1990
Hungary, 16 June 1983	Argentina, 19 July 1983	
Yugoslavia, 27 March 1985	Zambia, 6 June 1986	
Italy, 11 December 1986	Mexico, 29 December 1987	
United States, 11 December 1986	Australia, 17 March 1988	
Finland, 15 December 1987	Belarus, 9 October 1989	
Sweden, 15 December 1987	Ukraine, 3 January 1990	
Austria, 29 December 1987	Switzerland, 21 February 1990	
Norway, 20 July 1988	Iraq, 5 March 1990	
Denmark, 14 February 1989	Bulgaria, 9 July 1990	
Germany */, 21 Dec. 1989	Spain, 24 July 1990	
Chile, 7 February 1990	Russian Federation **/, 16 August 1990	
Czechoslovakia, 5 March 1990	Guinea, 23 January 1991	
Singapore, 16 February 1995	Canada, 23 April 1991	
Poland, 19 May 1995	Romania, 22 May 1991	
	Ecuador, 27 January 1992	
	Uganda, 12 February 1992	
	Slovakia ***/, 28 May 1993	
	Estonia, 20 September 1993	
	Czech Republic, ***/ 30 Sept. 1993	
	Slovenia, ****/ 7 January 1994	
	Bosnia and Herzegovina, ****/ 12 January 1994	
	Georgia, 16 August 1994	
	New Zealand, 22 September 1994	
	Moldova, 13 October 1994	
	Cuba, 2 November 1994	
	Lithuania, 18 January 1995	
	Belgium, 31 October 1996	
	Uzbekistan, 27 November 1996	
	Luxembourg, 30 January 1997	

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***/ Succession; the former Czechoslovakia ratified this Convention on 5 March 1990.

****/ Succession; Yugoslavia ratified this Convention on 27 March 1985.

5. United Nations Convention on International Bills of Exchange and International Promissory Notes (New York, 1988)

Ratification	Accession
	Guinea, 23 January 1991
	Mexico, 15 September 1992

6. United Nations Convention on the Liability of Operators of Transport Terminals in International Trade (Vienna, 1991)

Ratification	Accession
	Georgia, 21 March 1996

11. Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards (New York, 1958)

Ratification	Accession
Israel, 5 January 1959	Morocco, 12 February 1959
France, 26 July 1959	Egypt, 9 March 1959
India, 13 July 1960	Syrian Arab Republic, 9 March 1959
Russian Federation **/, 24 August 1960	Thailand, 21 December 1959
Ukraine, 10 October 1960	Cambodia, 5 January 1960
Belarus, 15 November 1960	Norway, 14 March 1961
Germany */, 30 June 1961	Austria, 2 May 1961
Poland, 3 October 1961	Japan, 20 June 1961
Bulgaria, 10 October 1961	Romania, 13 September 1961
Finland, 19 January 1962	Hungary, 5 March 1962
Ecuador, 3 January 1962	Greece, 16 July 1962
Sri Lanka, 9 April 1962	Madagascar, 16 July 1962
Netherlands, 24 April 1964	Central African Rep., 15 October 1962
Switzerland, 1 June 1965	United Rep. of Tanzania, 13 October 1964
Philippines, 6 July 1967	Niger, 14 October 1964
Sweden, 28 January 1972	Trinidad and Tobago, 14 February 1966
Belgium, 18 August 1975	Tunisia, 17 July 1967

Ratification	Accession
Monaco, 2 June 1982	Italy, 31 January 1969
Luxembourg, 9 September 1983	Nigeria, 17 March 1970
Costa Rica, 26 October 1987	United States of America, 30 September 1970
Argentina, 14 March 1989	Mexico, 14 April 1971
	Botswana, 20 December 1971
	Denmark, 22 December 1972
	Republic of Korea, 8 February 1973
	Benin, 16 May 1974
	Cuba, 30 December 1974
	Australia, 26 March 1975
	Holy See, 14 May 1975
	Chile, 4 September 1975
	United Kingdom, 24 September 1975
	South Africa, 3 May 1976
	Spain, 12 May 1977
	Kuwait, 28 April 1978
	San Marino, 17 May 1979
	Colombia, 25 September 1979
	Cyprus, 29 December 1980
	Ireland, 12 May 1981
	Indonesia, 7 October 1981
	Yugoslavia, 26 February 1982
	New Zealand, 6 January 1983
	Uruguay, 30 March 1983
	Djibouti, 14 June 1983
	Haiti, 5 December 1983
	Guatemala, 21 March 1984
	Panama, 10 October 1984
	Malaysia, 5 November 1985
	Canada, 12 May 1986
	Singapore, 21 August 1986
	China, 22 January 1987
	Burkina Faso, 23 March 1987
	Cameroon, 19 February 1988
	Peru, 7 July 1988

Ratification	Accession
	Dominica, 28 October 1988
	Antigua and Barbuda, 2 February 1989
	Algeria, 7 February 1989
	Kenya, 10 February 1989
	Lesotho, 13 June 1989
	Guinea, 23 January 1991
	Côte d'Ivoire, 1 February 1991
	Uganda, 12 February 1992
	Bosnia and Herzegovina, 6 March 1992
	Latvia, 14 April 1992
	Bangladesh, 6 May 1992
	Slovenia, 6 July 1992
	Barbados, 16 March 1993
	Slovakia, 28 May 1993
	Croatia, 26 July 1993
	Estonia, 30 August 1993
	Czech Republic, 30 September 1993
	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, 10 March 1994
	Saudi Arabia, 19 April 1994
	Georgia, 2 June 1994
	Mali, 8 September 1994
	Zimbabwe, 29 September 1994
	Senegal, 17 October 1994
	Portugal, 18 October 1994
	Mongolia, 24 October 1994
	Venezuela, 8 February 1995
	Lithuania, 15 March 1995
	Bolivia, 28 April 1995
	Vietnam, 12 September 1995
	Kazakstan, 20 November 1995
	Uzbekistan, 7 February 1996
	Mauritius, 19 June 1996
	Brunei Darussalam, 25 July 1996
	Kyrgyzstan, 18 December 1996

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